Attorney's Docket No.: 10431-005001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

MEULIN LU CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Applicant:

Neal A. Brown

Art Unit:

3673

Serial No.:

09/875,209

Examiner:

Sunil Singh

Filed: Title:

June 4, 2001

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REDUCING DRAG AND VORTEX-INDUCED

VIBRATION IN MARINE APPLICATIONS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated December 5, 2005, be extended for three months to and including June 5, 2006.

Please apply charges for the required fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 1, 2006

Dwight U. Thompson

Reg. No. 53,688

Fish & Richardson P.C. 12390 El Camino Real San Diego, California 92130 Telephone: (858) 678-5070

Facsimile: (858) 678-5099

DUT/jhg 10636972.doc